



**Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
Expedited Procedure - Art Unit 1636**

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Culture Reagents and Methods of
Production Thereof**

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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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In reply to the Office Action dated **February 11, 2003**, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 11), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

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It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Amendments

In the Claims:

Please substitute the following claim 10 for the pending claim 10:

10. (Once amended) An automatically pH-adjusting dry powdered culture medium produced by the method of any one of claims 1, 2, 3 or 9.

Please substitute the following claim 15 for the pending claim 15:

15. (Twice amended) A method of cultivating a cell comprising preparing an automatically pH-adjusting dry powdered culture medium prepared according to the method of any one of claims 1, 2, 3 or 9, reconstituting the medium with at least one solvent to form a culture medium solution, and contacting a cell with said solution under conditions favoring cultivation of the cell.